I am commenting in support of the proposal submitted by the ARRL concerning restructuring of the amateur radio licensing requirements. I feel that the ARRL plan has merit and reflects an understanding of the numerous issues in restructuring. The ARRL proposal will help foster the growth of amateur radio in the U.S., especially among younger people. This will insure a continous cadre of technically trained communicators to serve our country in the

future. Further, the ARRL plan retains a license structure that depends on significant preparation on the part of applicants. This will insure that amateur radio licensees will continue to be

technically and operationally adept. This will help safeguard the proper use of the amateur radio frequency spectrum.